

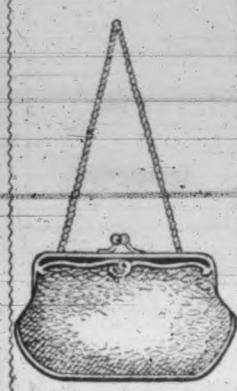
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CHANCELLOR OF OXFORD.

(Associated Press)

London, Oct. 30.—Lord Goschen is to be elected to the chancellorship of Oxford University in succession to the late Marquis of Salisbury. Lord Rosebery having withdrawn his candidature.

HISTORIAN ILL.

(Associated Press)

Berlin, Oct. 30.—Prof. Mommsen, the historian (who was born in 1817), has suffered a severe apoplectic stroke! He is unconscious, his left side is paralysed and there is little hope for his recovery.

HOUSTON REGISTERS VOW TO HEAVEN

**He Swears by His Gods That He Will Pursue
Premier McBride for the "Dirt"
Done Him.**

Nelson, Oct. 30.—(Special).—"If the legislature meets and I get a chance to vote I will cast my vote for the Conservative party, but by the living gods! I will drown the men who have done me dirt at Victoria. I will not fight the Conservatives, but I will fight Richard McBride, Robt. Green, R. G. Tatlow, A. E. McPhillips and Charles Wilson. I will fight them in the ranks of the party, and I believe in doing so I will be doing the Conservative party the best service I know."

In these words John Houston, member for Nelson city, stated his position to his constituents at a public meeting last night, called by the mayor of Nelson to discuss the action of the Lieutenant-Governor and the Premier in refusing to admit Mr. Houston to a position in the McBride cabinet.

"Whereas," the Lieutenant-Governor did submit Mr. Houston's name to the Lieutenant-Governor for approval as minister;

"Whereas, the Lieutenant-Governor, obstructed Mr. Houston becoming one of his advisers, giving an incident that had occurred in the legislature that has passed out of existence as the reason for objection;

"Therefore be it resolved:

"Resolved that we, the people of Nelson in public meeting assembled, protest against this action of the Lieutenant-Governor in denying to a representative elected by the people to second him the honor of constitutional government;

"And be it further resolved that we deplore the fact that British Columbia has as Premier a man who allowed the Lieutenant-Governor to reject his advice without tendering his resignation;

"Resolved, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Lieutenant-Governor, to the Premier, and to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada."

Mr. Houston then gave details of several other interviews, much the same, and went on:

"On Friday of last week at 2 o'clock I met him at his office and he told me that he had submitted my name to the Lieutenant-Governor and that the Lieutenant-Governor did not approve of it.

"It came to me like a slap in the face; I felt as if I were unfit to associate with decent men," Mr. McBride said to the Lieutenant-Governor, "had given no reasons. He told me to wait until next session and he might take me in."

"My answer was 'No.' I put on my hat and left and haven't seen him since."

Mr. Houston then read the Governor's letter to him.

The following resolution was adopted by the meeting:

"Whereas, at the general election held this month John Houston was elected by a majority of votes to represent Nelson in the legislature, and having sat in the previous legislature was deemed by the electors of Nelson as capable of taking charge of a department of the government as a minister, and he was urged to present his claims for recognition, and—"

"Whereas, he proceeded to Victoria,

the report that the Canadians charged that Lord Alverstone had been practically won over by kindness. To this he did reply: "I do not think such a thing could be. If anything the hostility and kindness was on his side. He was hospitable to all callers, and entertained us at his country place. The question to be settled was one of right under international law, and Lord Alverstone, who is one of the most eminent jurists, settled the case on its merits."

Mr. Turner was not willing to discuss how the agreement came to be reached. But it was admitted that the decision of giving two of the islands in the Portland canal to the United States was based on Vancouver's narrative of his voyage of exploration. The question hinged on whether he had sailed the water to the south of the islands the channel, or whether he had gone to the north of them. It was found that he recorded having gone from the entrance to a point of land above the islands in a certain line. To do this it was figured that he entered the broad channel, followed it up and turned in between the four islands. This led the commissioners to decide that the two islands lying near the mouth of the canal and opposite Port Simpson, belonged to the United States.

Mr. Turner, while he was not willing to discuss in detail the subject, admitted that this was true. Speaking of these two islands, Mr. Turner said: "The islands lie opposite Port Simpson. The channel is two-and-a-half miles wide between the port and the islands. They are of very little value to us except from a strategical standpoint. I believe that the new transcontinental railroad, which is to be built north of the Canadian Pacific, will have Port Simpson for its Pacific terminus. This makes the islands of importance to Canada. The Vancouver narrative was brought forward, and it was on this narrative that the decision was reached."

Joseph Pope, representative of the Canadian government, and one of the assistant secretaries of the tribunal, said the award was of course a disappointment from the Canadian point of view, but offered no further comment, appearing anxious, however, to ascertain how the decision had been received in Canada. He and Mrs. Pope left immediately for Ottawa.

Lated in the day former Senator Geo. Turner said concerning the decision: "I do not care to go into the subject; nor do I want to appear in the position of summing up the advantages the decision will give us over Canada. I am, however, of the opinion that the decision was most just and honorable. I regard it as fortunate that the commission was able to agree. I consider this a step forward in the settlement of all future disputes. They can be settled in an amicable manner."

Mr. Turner was asked if he had heard

Railway Chairman's Views.

London, Oct. 30.—Chairman Macrae, at a meeting to-day of the stockholders of the White Pass & Yukon railroad, alighted to the Alaska-boundary award. He said that while he regretted the decision which placed twenty miles of their road under the jurisdiction of the American flag, it was in reality more a matter of sentiment than business. The reciprocal bonding arrangements between Canada and the United States would continue. Both countries would suffer

equally, and consequently by a disturbance of arrangements, and it was more in harmony with the enlightened spirit of civilization to attempt to curtail them. Mr. Macrae further declared that the suggestions for all-Canadian or all-American roads in the Yukon were impossible of realization for a long time to come.

FORTY-FIVE WERE DROWNED

By the Sinking of the Tokio Maru, After Collision With the Progress.

(Associated Press)

Yokohama, Oct. 30.—It was ascertained today that 45 persons out of 103 who were on board the steamer Tokio Maru were drowned, as the result of sinking of that vessel after having been in collision with the Russian steamer Progress, of Hakodate, Japan. The engineer of the Tokio Maru succumbed after having been picked up by the Progress. The mails and all the valuable of the sunken vessel were lost.

The accident occurred at 4 a.m. in a dense fog. The Tokio Maru sank immediately. After rescuing all, the Progress returned to Hakodate. She was severely damaged.

The Russian vessel is drawing up a statement of damage by the court of inquiry.

The Yusen Raisha Company's steamer Jishin Maru has gone to the scene of the disaster, with divers to search for the bodies of the persons who were drowned.

GOVERNMENT IS FIGHTING RECOUNT

**ATTORNEY-GENERAL
WANTS IT OPPOSED**

Mr. Justice Irving Rescinds His Order
as to Ballot Boxes Being
Returned.

(Associated Press)

The government seems determined to avoid a recount in Fernie if at all possible. Why a fair trial before the courts to establish the validity of the rejected ballot should not be welcomed by the government can only be explained on the ground that they fear that justice has not been done. Mr. Smith.

The following "special" to the Times from Nelson explains the situation fully in connection with the recount incident and shows the attitude of the government on the matter:

"Mr. Justice Irving yesterday rescinded his order granted the previous day directing the Provincial Secretary to return the Fernie ballots for purposes of a recount. This was done on the ground that he had no jurisdiction, as section 118 of the Election Act, under which the order was asked, was passed before the recount provided for in 1899, and not subsequently amended so as to cover this case.

"W. A. Macdonald, who appeared for the Provincial Secretary against the order, received his instructions in the form of an urgent telegram from Attorney-General McDonald to tell the Fernie order to stand and hold."

The announcement yesterday that Hon. A. S. Godlove had handed in his resignation as Provincial Secretary was received with surprise. It probably is but the forement of the present government filling up the vacancies which practically exist in the cabinet in consequence of the defeat of the Attorney-General and the Provincial Secretary. All the members of the executive will be in the city to-morrow, it is expected. The situation will then be fully considered, and it is expected an announcement will shortly afterwards be made as to what members will be to fill the vacancies.

Mr. Macdonald has found it impossible to find a seat, and in consequence has resigned in his resignation. The other defeated minister, Hon. A. C. McPhillips, has not tendered his resignation to his leader, as it is probable he is to remain in the cabinet and that a committee will be found for him. In this latter connection, Macdonald has been mentioned as likely to be made available for the Attorney-General. From the appearance of things there is good ground for inferring that the Attorney-General will have Lilah open for him.

As to filling the other vacancy there is wide speculation. Mr. Carter-Cotton is said to have disengaged any intention of entering the government. Price Ellison is putting forth a effort to gain it.

Geo. A. Fraser, the member elected in the Conservative interests for Grand Forks, is still in the city. He has been here for nearly a week, and with the resignation of Hon. A. S. Godlove it became rumored that he might be selected to fill the Provincial Secretaryship.

Mr. Fraser was seen this morning in that connection and says he has no intimation of such being carried out. He stated positively that he was not entering the government.

He says his visit to Victoria has been repeatedly spoken of on the lower Mainland as destined to fill the place, while F. J. Fulton and C. W. D. Clifford have also been mentioned as likely to be rewarded with cabinet standing.

It is expected that perhaps by Saturday night, or if not very early, the government will make its announcement.

STATE OF TRADE

Higher Prices of Cotton May Lessen Increased Business in the South.

(Associated Press)

New York, Oct. 30.—Special telegrams from correspondents of the International Mercantile Agency throughout the United States and Canada regarding the state of trade are summarized as follows: Between Oregon and California, Sacramento shows its influence on the movement of general merchandise. Recently a most favorable report came from Chicago, Pittsburgh and New York. There are reports from the South for a good grade owing to the high price of cotton. These have been a great improvement in the market. The mills and all the valuable of the sunken vessel are a fair average for the season in Chicago, but there is less disposition to brand and sell a holiday. In some lines, dry goods and clothing are more interesting. Sales are good at Boston. The disposition is towards conservatism. At Philadelphia the volume of trade is about equal to that of a year ago, but affected by labor agitation.

STRIKERS OVERAWED.

Hold in Check by Troops
of Soldiers Near at Dux at Bilbao.

(Associated Press)

Bilbao, Spain, Oct. 30.—The night passed without incident, the strikers having been overawed by the closing of military force. General Staff has continued negotiations with the employees and strikers, and there is something of a truce at Bilbao. Troops and sailors are on duty in the streets, and the streets are clear.

Trying to Cause Trouble.

Barcelona, Spain, Oct. 30.—The soldiers here are endeavoring to incite the miners to strike at Bilbao. The beginning of a strike at Bilbao has gone on for nearly twenty-five miles south of Port Simpson itself. Vessels using this passage will encounter difficulty in getting through by way of Queen Charlotte sound and Heceta strait or to the north of that group of islands extending to the east. The latter is the most direct route to the sea and the one therefore which will most likely be the course taken by all trans-Pacific steamers. It is the channel which separates Prince of Wales Island from Queen Charlotte group, and will connect Heceta strait to the west of the latter. Brown's passage is situated at the meeting of the two. The passage is four and a half miles or a little over half a mile across. At its entrance are three rocks, North Brother, Hammer and Simpson. Hammer stands between about equal distance from either of the other rocks. The passage has not been fully sounded, but has a depth of 39 fathoms extending clear across the channel. A steamer in using this will be a gateway to Peter Simpson, would at no time be obliged to approach American territory, and she would be completely out of range of any gun which might be placed on either of the small islands closer to the United States by the Alaskan boundary awards.

On the trip just completed the Texan visited Macrae, at the northern end of Graham Islands front, where the vessel will get into a narrow gulf. On the voyage the weather was unusually rough. The steamer brought 1,000 cases of salmon, of which 1,000 cases were discharged at Vancouver. The boat was unloaded on the Fraser. The Texan had a long list of passengers, there being 65 in the saloon, most of whom had to be content with "shack-shack" on the floor. Those destined for Alaska were G. Robinson, W. W. Leach, James Mills, L. Parker, H. Clark, R. Tracy, A. W. Harris, W. Noel, Mrs. J. Chapman, L. Kaehne, J. Pauline, W. A. Wilcox, T. R. McPheron, J. Paxton, A. C. Williams, G. Gray, H. A. Williams and A. W. Vowell and a party of five others.

NEW LINE.

Eddie Sautry Knocked Out by Herrera the Mexican Lightweight.

(Associated Press)

Anacada, Oct. 30.—Anacleto Herrera, the lightweight Mexican pugilist, last night knocked out Eddie Sautry, of Chicago, in the thirteenth round, if what was to have been a 24-round fight. Sautry forced the fight throughout and was plainly Herrera's superior in science, but failed to deliver a knockout, and while making a necessity in the thirteenth round, received a terrific blow just behind the ear and went down and out.

ABUSE OF SOLDIERS.

Officer May Only Use Weapons When His Person Is in Danger.

(Associated Press)

Berlin, Oct. 30.—The case of General Eduard Hauser, who was recently imprisoned for killing an artillerist who failed to salute him properly, has resulted in the issuance of an imperial decree against the abuse of private soldiers by officers.

According to this decree an attack on an superior officer by a drunken private will not, in the future, be considered an assault, and only when the person of the officer is in danger shall be permitted to use a weapon. The superior officer who is so attacked, shall be allowed a countervail removably by his comrades.

CANNOT SURVIVE.

No Hope for Recovery of Col. Holland, of the Salvation Army.

(Associated Press)

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 30.—Advocates received late last night joy the general superintendent's office of the Santa Fe railroad from the hospital at Fort Madison, Iowa, say that Colonel Holland is still alive, but cannot survive and that the others wounded in the Peoria Lake train wreck are improving and will recover.

URGES INCREASED SALARY.

London, Oct. 30.—In an editorial article this morning the Morning Post urges the government to increase the salary of the British ambassador at Washington and put it upon the same scale as those paid at other first-class embassies.

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE NORTHWEST

SOME OF MEASURES TO BE INTRODUCED

Ordinary Sessions Will Be Held in the Autumn in Future—Progress During Year.

Regina, N.W.T., Oct. 29.—The Northwest legislature was opened this afternoon. The following is the speech from the throne:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I have much pleasure in welcoming you on the occasion of the opening of the second session of the fifth legislative assembly of the Territories. Although owing to adverse climatic conditions at the critical time of harvest the expectations formed at the beginning of the session have all but been realized, I can still congratulate you on the continuous growth and prosperity of the country.

It being the opinion of my government that the public business will be greatly facilitated by a change in the time of the meetings of the legislative assembly, I have called you together again at this early date, in order to enable ordinary sessions to be held hereafter in the autumn instead of the early part of the year.

By legislation passed at the late session of the Dominion parliament your legislative jurisdiction has been extended so as to enable you to deal with the qualification of members of the legislative assembly, and a measure dealing with that subject will be presented to you.

Your power to legislate with regard to certain matters affecting the administration of justice has also been increased, in consequence of which you will be required to make some provisions for the establishment of judicial districts and the appointment of police magistrates. Bills concerning these subjects will be presented to you.

The rapid increase in the population of the Territories and the wide area over which that population is scattered have led my government to the conclusion that a gradual decentralization of the work at present done by the central government has become necessary. This important matter has been the subject of careful consideration by my government during the recess, and your co-operation and assistance will be asked with a view to the establishment of a simple efficient and economical system of rural organization.

Measures for the creation of a university, dealing with powers and liabilities of trustees and the levying of succession duties will be submitted to you, as will a change of the law relating to all bills amending the municipal school and town ordinances.

The estimates for the coming year have been prepared, having regard for the conditions of the Territories.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I leave you all these, and such other matters as may be brought before you in due course, that your studies and labors and consideration will be given to them, and in the belief that your labors will be divinely governed to a successful and satisfactory issue.

MRS. BOOTH-TUCKER'S DEATH.

Her Secretary Tells of Wreck in Which Consul Was Fatally Injured.

Fort Madison, Oct. 29.—Miss H. Dammas, Mrs. Booth-Tucker's secretary, tells the following of the wreck of a train on the Santa Fe railway, and death of Mrs. Booth-Tucker:

"Tuesday night we left Amity for Chicago, being accompanied by Col. Holland. We secured berths in the tourist car, but last evening concluded to change to a standard Pullman sleeping car. We had made our arrangements to this end when the accident occurred. I had gone back into the Pullman, leaving Mrs. Booth-Tucker and Colonel Holland in conversation in the tourist sleeper. I had left them but a few moments when the crash came. It was a terrible shock to me when I found Mrs. Booth-Tucker and learned that she was fatally injured.

"When taken from the wreck she was taken into the waiting room of the station at Dead Lake, where she was placed upon a mattress and surgical aid given by Dr. Charles Hunter, of Parsons, Kansas, who was a passenger on the train. The aid was of no avail, however, her skull being fractured, and she died two hours after the accident happened. She was unconscious all the time. She moaned pitiably for a short time."

May Be Sept Home.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Booth-Tucker's body reached Chicago to-night on a Santa Fe train. Several hundred members of the Army escorted the body to an undertaking establishment. Tomorrow the body will be removed to one of the Army's branches, where it will lie in state until to-morrow night, when it will be removed to New York. Later, it is stated, the remains may be sent to London for burial.

HILL COMING WEST.

Will Take Part in Conference and Try to Settle Troubles.

Butte, Oct. 29.—A dispatch from Great Falls says that J. J. Hill is there on his way to Butte, where he will meet Senators Gibson and Clark and others for conference on the industrial troubles. The labor unions have formed committees to urge special legislation on the government.

C. F. Keeley, counsel for the Amalgamated Copper Company, to-day gave out a statement saying the stories that the shutdown of the mines is due to the Miami Healy decision or to a stock holding scheme are erroneous. "The shutdown is the inevitable result of the actions of certain courts which have an unbearably record for six and one-half years of deciding adversely every question concerning our interests in Montana," says the statement. It continues to the effect that the decision restraining the transfer of the stock of the Boston & Montana Company to the Amalgamated affected all other subsidiary companies and made their operation impossible on the courts' construction of them.

Six persons were killed and a hundred injured during yesterday's conflicts between rioters and troops. Hundreds of terror-stricken people have fled from the city. Railroad employees now threaten to join the strikers.

Aging under orders from Madrid, the Governor of Bilbao has summoned the miners owners to a conference.

MINISTER'S ADVICE.

China Must be Prepared to Act in Her Own Interest.

London, Oct. 29.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Pekin says it is reported from Pekin that the Chinese minister at St. Petersburg has notified his government that the war party is in the ascendant in Russia, and that China must be prepared to act in her own interests. There is an increasing desire among the intelligent Chinese for an alliance with Japan, adds the correspondent.

Crew Massacred.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 29.—The robber Chunchun tribesmen, who recently entrenched themselves at Bolane, a town on the Sungache river, Manchuria, had previously attacked a Russian cargo steamer at a station on the Manchurian railway near Bolane. They murdered the crew and then attacked the Russian railway guards, killing forty-five.

Further reinforcements had been ordered from Harbin to Bolane to dislodge the bandits.

WILL QUARANTINE CITY.

Soldier of Allegheny Threatens to Make It Interesting If Order is Enforced.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 29.—A telegram has been received by the Allegheny city officials from Dr. Walter R. Batt, quarantine officer of the Pennsylvania board of health, announcing that at a conference in Washington, D. C., between Dr. Batt and Dr. Benjamin Lee, secretary of the state board of health, it was decided to quarantine Allegheny. Quarantine will be established to-day.

City Soldier S. C. Porter, of Allegheny city, stated this morning if Dr. Batt or any other state official tries to quarantine the city he will immediately order their arrest. A sworn statement by Director Dr. Sandretz, director of the public safety of Allegheny, states there are but 16 cases of smallpox in Allegheny, which is located directly across the river from Pittsburg, and has a population of 400,000. He says his quarantine is a result of the city of Allegheny declining to order a fumigator manufacturer by a concern in which a state board of health official is interested.

I was sick for over three years with a complication of diseases, but I am now well again, John K. Moore. Had tried every good physician I knew as many patent medicines, but received only temporary relief. Golden Medical Dispensary immediately procured some and began treatment. Commenced to gain the first week and when I had taken out and was well again, I had lost weight and was experiencing ill effects. Took five hours and to day am happy to announce that I am as well and healthy as any one could be. I am well in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Dispensary.

EIGHT MEN INJURED.

Series of Accidents at the Dominion Iron and Steel Works.

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 29.—Eight were injured, as a result of a remarkable series of accidents which occurred at the Dominion Iron and Steel Works yesterday. Three were injured at one time by being struck by an electric charge in an open-hearth furnace. Another man was hurt at the same place by a weight falling on him, while another man fell into a pit at the rear of the furnace and broke his back. A carpenter fell from the roof of the ladle shop a distance of fifty feet, and sustained severe internal injuries, while two others were injured at the blast furnaces and bloomery mill, respectively.

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STRIKE SPREADING.

Nearly Three Thousand Men Idle in Chicago—Many More Ready to Quit Work.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—The packing house employers walked out to-day, joining the striking sausage makers, and increasing the number of idle men at the stockyards to 2,400. There are 16 other branches of organized labor in the packing houses yet to make demands, and more than 23,000 employees are said to stand ready to support the strikers.

Miners Will Come Out.

Trinidad, Colo., Oct. 29.—Authority from President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, for the calling of a strike of coal miners in district No. 15, was brought by "Mother" Jones, who returned from Indianapolis last night, and it is understood next Monday is the date fixed for the lock-out. This could not be confirmed, but President William Bowles, of district No. 15, admitted there will be a strike, but said the call had not yet been completed. It is understood over 40,000 men will be involved.

Closing Down.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Fourteen hundred brickmakers have been laid off in Cook County, and when given their pay were told that would be no more work until late next spring. Four hundred will be discharged in December, and the industry in this district will be closed down. The prevalence of strikes and the increased cost of building in Chicago practically has stopped all construction work.

SIX KILLED DURING RIOTS.

Soldiers Have Difficulty Coping With Strikers at Bilbao—Blowing Up Railways.

Bilbao, Spain, Oct. 29.—The garrison of Bilbao has been reinforced, but the troops still have difficulty coping with the rioting strikers, who constantly erect new barricades as the old ones are destroyed by the soldiers.

The city presents a sorry spectacle owing to the wide-spread destruction wrought by the mob, who used dynamite in several instances to blow in the doors of the railways with the object of preventing trains from entering Bilbao. Famine prices are already being charged for provisions. Even bread is so scarce that loaves are selling at four pesetas about 75 cents.

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DON'T LIKE PROSPECT.

Chinese Officials Alarmed at Proposal of Philippine Government to Buy Bullocks.

Peking, Oct. 29.—The Chinese foreign office is alarmed at the project of the Philippine government to purchase 30,000 water buffaloes in South China to replace those which have died of the pest. United States Minister Conger has asked the authorities to remit the duty on the buffaloes because the project is charitable, but Lién Fang, secretary of the foreign office, replied that he doubted whether there were 30,000 buffaloes in China, and said he feared the Chinese farmers would sell all they had if they were offered a good price, with the result that there would be a famine, owing to the lack of animals to cultivate the land, as is the case in the Philipines.

One who has lived for many years in the Peace River district returned to Winnipeg but a short time since, and gave to a Free Press some most interesting particulars not only of this fertile valley, but in connection therewith with the Portland canal, now needed to Canada. The one favored spot about one million acres in extent, of which the traveller particularly spoke, is guarded from all cold winds by the up-ripened shoulder of the ring which surrounds the valley or rather this portion of the valley of Peace River. This land is not in Alberta. It is close to the boundary on the British Columbia side. So rich is the native timothy grass, that one ton of hay will feed a beast for the winter, where within 105 miles at least four tons of fodder would be needed.

Also this tract is a paradise for the sportsman. Some years since a brace of blackcock were killed here. Moose, elk, deer, bear are in plenty, and prairie chicken with partridge most numerous. On the Smoky river there is a continuous outcrop of coal for fifty miles. On one side of the river is a hill of gypsum of the purest quality. There will be no need, therefore, to take plaster of Paris to this locality. The beautiful falls known as the Bowlers Rapids, rush over and polish agates and corundums by the ton. A number of these beautiful stones were taken to England, but a short time since and eagerly purchased by a jeweller there for a good sum.

The government, the prime minister said, would support the development of national trade. He said the watchword should be "Fiscal Peace and Preferential Trade for White Australia." A vote of confidence in the federal ministry was passed unanimously.

AUSTRALIA READY.

To Reciprocate the Proposal of Ex-Colonial Secretary.

Melbourne, Victoria, Oct. 29.—Alfred Deakin, the new federal prime minister, announcing the ministerial policy to be adopted at Ballarat to-day, said he was prepared to reciprocate the proposal of Joseph Chamberlain concerning the British fiscal policy. The adoption of this policy, he said, would require that Australia would grow vast quantities of wheat and increase her dairy products. It would result in turning the tide of emigration toward the Commonwealth.

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THE ARMY-MANOEUVRES.

Col. Otter Tells of the Operations Carried Out on Salisbury Plains.

Col. W. D. Otter, Col. T. D. Evans, Winnipeg, and Col. C. W. Drewry, King's Royal Rifle Corps, have purchased a large block of land at Windmill Point and will construct a large stone-making plant for the purpose of supplying the new railway.

They have been for several weeks attending the autumn manoeuvres at Salisbury Plains. All three are very much pleased with their trip, and with the reception they received by the British authorities, who extended to them every courtesy and privilege to enable them to gain all possible information.

Speaking of their experience at the manoeuvres, Col. Evans said that they were exceedingly interesting. They were performed strictly under active service conditions, and will be of the greatest value to the officers who took part.

There is no doubt in Col. Evans's mind that the Imperial army officers have profited by the experience gained in the South African war. This is apparent from the many improvements which are being made in the equipment and the manner of handling the troops. Col. Evans's account of the manoeuvres, in which some 40,000 men, under Sir John French, and Sir Evelyn Wood, respectively took part, is very interesting and shows that General French, the dashing cavalry officer, who attained a famous record in South Africa, has forgotten none of his old training.

The operations were carried out in three countries, Hampshire, Wiltshire and Berkshire. The efficiency of the men of all ranks showed in marching was excellent. The infantry stepped off twenty miles per day without showing any fatigue, while the cavalry also did excellently.

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A Convention of Northwestern Churches Will Be Held in Victoria Next Week.

There will be a notable gathering of representatives of the Northwestern Congregational churches in this city next week. The convention will open on Wednesday and will last three days. Special rates from Washington points have been arranged and a large attendance of delegates is expected.

Some prominent Congregational divines will be present, among whom might be mentioned Rev. W. H. G. Temple, D.D., the eloquent pastor of Plymouth church, Seattle. The programme follows:

Tuesday, November 3rd.

Hon. A. E. Smith, United States consul, chairman. 7:45 p. m.—Prayer and praise, led by E. D. Wege, of Columbia. 8:00 p. m.—Address of welcome, the pastor of the church, A. B. Ryth. Response, the moderator, C. L. Meigs, Shadyside, Carnegie. E. L. Smith, of Seattle.

Wednesday, November 4th.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises, led by M. L. Hutton, of Blaine. 10:00 a. m.—Business. A proposed amendment to article III, sec. 1, of constitution reads: That the following words be inserted before the words "are members ex-officio" in the third sentence, viz., "and the official representative of any Congregational institution within the bounds of the association." Reports from the churches. 12:00 p. m.—Adjournment. 2:00 p. m.—Subject, The Church—The Church and Young People. Hon. W. H. Lewis, Seattle. 3:00 p. m.—The Church and Modern Evangelism. Merton Smith, Vancouver.

Thursday, November 5th.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises and closing of the session. 10:00 a. m.—Prayer and praise, led by E. D. Wege, of Columbia. 11:00 a. m.—Address of welcome, the pastor of the church, A. B. Ryth. Response, the moderator, C. L. Meigs, Shadyside, Carnegie. E. L. Smith, of Seattle.

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CONSEQUENCES OF COWARDICE.

Premier McBride, either in ignorance of his responsibilities as a minister of the Crown, or in craven fear of the possible antagonism of the member for Nelson, who had demanded a seat in the cabinet, informed the aspirant for an honorable post that his ambition could not be gratified because the Lieutenant-Governor objected. By his cowardly act in divulging matters which should have been held in the strictest seclusion, the Premier forced His Honor to lay the facts before the public over his own signature.

Mr. Houston is not, as the majority of men, He holds tenaciously to his opinions, and one of the strongest of his opinions is that John Houston is worthy of any position in the gift of the nation. He has possessed the confidence of the people of Nelson for a great many years. He has been honored as no other man in the interior of British Columbia has been honored. Public opinion in British Columbia, as in most new countries, is notoriously tickle, so that we may safely assume that in Mr. Houston, beneath his ostentatious rough and ready manner and burlesqueness of speech, lie many attractive qualities. We were lately told that John is an offshoot of the stock which gave the world Brougham and Carlyle, two of the greatest of British essayists. The British Columbia stem of that distinguished stock is somewhat of a writer himself, but he has inherited other, and perhaps less attractive, gifts and characteristics from his progenitors. Mr. Houston is obstinate and combative. He had it in his power to force from the government of Mr. McBride anything his heart desired. Being an ambitious man, Mr. Houston demanded a portfolio. The demand was issued in the form of an ultimatum. The Colonial may shuffle with words and equivocate with sentences till it consumes every sheet of paper in its establishment, but it will not succeed in establishing a contrary impression. The Premier took a couple of weeks to consider the situation. He took to his bed and ruminated over the issue there. When he had made up his mind that he must either yield up office or capitulate to John Houston, it did not take him long to choose the horn of the dilemma, upon which he preferred to pass the short time of misery in office yet left to him. Some of Hon. Richard's enemies say he is no Conservative, but his tactics during his short career as Premier prove that he is a worthy representative of the great party. He would rather wriggle and writhe and squirm and squelch in a purgatorial hell than pursue such a honourable course before all men as would appear to risk punishment to a region in which there are neither salaries, emoluments nor perquisites.

Letter to private John Houston Hon. Richard McBride told him he would have been glad of the honor of his presence in the cabinet, but the Lieutenant-Governor would not hear of such a thing. Being of sound mind, since John wanted to know what was objectionable in his character, and wrote to headquarters for information upon the point. This was something the Hon. Richard, in his ignorance of the duties and responsibilities of an advisor of the Crown's representative did not contemplate. Or, being informed on these matters, the Premier did not understand the manner of making had to do with it is John Houston. The consequence, as we have already pointed out, is that His Honor has been compelled to publicly take part in the "shabby" squabble. The Colonist blames the Times for this, of course. The real cause of it all is the man who made public confidential communications, who threw his responsibilities he undertook to shoulder when he took the oath of office upon the representative of the Crown.

But John Houston was not deceived by the perfidious attempt of the Premier to shirk his responsibilities. As plain, straightforward man himself, he recognizes that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor was prompted by honorable motives to his course of action while naturally objecting to the implied reflection upon his own character. He also knows that the Premier and his colleagues were not prepared to yield his claims "because they were presented in the form of a demand." They would have denied him preference if they had dared. Mr. Houston knew perfectly well that a man

jury of the ministers were opposed to the recognition of his claims, and, knowing this, he despises them for their pusillanimity, for their lust of power and their sacrifice of principle to retain power, and his remarks at Nelson prove that he has not been deceived by Hon. Richard McBride's attempt to evade his responsibilities.

MORE TRICKERY.

The managers of the Tory campaign in Fernie constituency seem to be playing the game of politics after the most approved Tory manner. A request of the ballot east was demanded. This could not be had because the ballot boxes had been dispatched in great haste to Victoria, possibly for fear some degenerate Grit should get hold of them and tamper with them. They are now in the custody of some official over the bay, and the impeccable Attorney-General without a seat says there must remain until an order of the court has been issued and has been received, calling for their production. A dispute from Nelson says Mr. Justice Irving has refused to grant an order for the production of the boxes, and therefore no count can be held.

It seems the returning officer exceeded his powers in dispatching the boxes to Victoria in such haste. He should have kept them in his custody until the question of the election had been finally disposed of, which is only, in the case of a demand for a recount, after the judge has made his pronouncement. So we may presume that the gentleman who in this case acted as returning officer, was well posted as to his duties as a partisan and as to his obligations to the Conservative candidate, who is his partner in business. He courted his partner in, and he is determined that he shall stay in. If trickery can accomplish that object, And the honorable Attorney-General's going to second his efforts to the utmost of his power as a politician and a tactician. He will not give up the boxes until he receives an order. He has too much respect for the courts to do anything without their consent. He is a very zealous official, though to the reason Mr. McBride is determined to retain him in office in defiance of the "mandate of the people," to which Mr. Phillips was very obsequious until it struck at him personally. The ballot boxes can only be given up, it appears, with the consent of the legislature. In the meantime a minority candidate has been declared elected by a partisan returning officer—his partner in business as well as in trickery and politics. This member of doubtful right will take his seat in the House and support a government of equally doubtful legitimacy.

The law upon the subject is laid down in chapter 25, sections 43 and 44 of the election act. "In case at any election application is made to the county court judge presiding over the county court district, which includes the territory of the place at which the nomination took place, by any elector on behalf of any candidate, for a recount of the ballots and re-addition of the number of votes given, at any time within ten days after that on which the returning officer has under section 143 of said chapter 67 proclaimed the elected member or members, the said judge may, in case the applicant deposits within the said time with the said judge the sum of twenty-five dollars, as security for the costs in respect of the recount in favor of the candidate appearing by the addition to be elected, appoint a time to recount the votes, and shall give notice in writing to the candidates or their agents of the time and place at which he will proceed to recount the same. In case there is no county court judge for the said district, or in case such judge is absent, said application may be made to a judge of the Supreme Court." Section 44 says: "The said judge shall forthwith summon and command the returning officer and election clerk to attend before him then and there, with all the ballot boxes and statements which command the returning officer and election clerk shall obey." That is, they shall obey, according to the ruling of Mr. Justice Irving, if they have not been "cute" enough to get the boxes out of their possession and into the custody of a body that will not meet until it will be too late to carry out an act of justice. It would of course be an act of presumption for a mere layman to question the ruling of the court. If we can do so without contest, we should like to be informed by some intelligence illuminated with the light of legal knowledge what is the meaning of the following paragraph, also incorporated in the election act: "No person shall be allowed to inspect any rejected ballots in the custody of the deputy provincial secretary except under the order of the Speaker of the legislative assembly, or of the Supreme Court or a judge thereof, to be granted by such Speaker or the said Supreme Court or a judge, on being satisfied by evidence on oath that the inspection or production of such ballot papers is required for the purpose of investigating or maintaining a prosecution for an offence in relation to ballot papers or ballots, or for the purpose of a petition questioning an election or return," etc.

But if the Attorney-General were a conscientious man, a man who regards obvious duty as of more concern than temporary party advantage, he would forthwith advise that the Fernie ballot boxes be placed in the custody of that zealous Conservative returning officer and loyal business partner in order that the

courts in their mysterious ways shall be able to perform an act of justice.

The wily Grits appear to have been guilty of an act of gross deception. They somehow, communicated to the Tory mind an impression that there would be a general election immediately. The great presses of the Montreal Star were set to work grinding out campaign literature of the usual Tory type. This stuff could only be mailed free while parliament was in session, and the sitting was specially prolonged in order that advantage might be taken of the privileges of free transportation. Several special trains were necessary to carry the stuff through the country. Where it is now no one seems to know. The managers have suddenly come to the conclusion that there will be no election just yet, and it may be that the hot matter has been headed off and stored in warehouses somewhere. Wherever it is, it is alarming to think that the virtue may all have gone out of before dissolution actually comes. But the gentry are most angry because the Grits of taking a mean advantage of a party which is suffering from a sufficient number of natural disadvantages already.

It would be a seedy thing for Conservative newspapers to refrain from comment on political affairs in Ontario. With a self-confessed receiver of bribes, a muttler of account books, a tamperer with deposit slips, a fugitive from the justice, a guilty conscience placed upon his track; with Gamey, the member whose partner has lately taken an oath that he (Gamey) tried to persuade him to become a partner in his infamy, with such a politician practically leading the party in Ontario, we should think little glory for the party in general is to be gained by comment on political events in the eastern province.

A Tory politician ventures to remark that the Canadians were not successful in their case before the boundary tribunal because they did not cut such a resounding figure in London as the Americans. The latter in their republican simplicity lived in style at the most stylish places. They entertained lavishly and treated their guests handsomely. We thought the tribunal was meant to be a judicial one, and that its conclusions were intended to be reached upon the evidence of public documents.

POLITICAL MOTIVES.

To the Editor.—The following extracts may be of some interest to your numerous readers. In Mr. ex-Secretary Foster's Century of American Diplomacy it is stated: "Russia indicated a willingness (1845 to 1850) to give us its American possessions if we would adhere to the claim of 54 deg. 40 min. on the Pacific, and exclude Great Britain from that ocean on the American continent." Mr. Seward stated, soon after the session was perfected, that his object in acquiring Alaska was to prevent its purchase by England, thereby preventing the extension of England's coast line on the Pacific.

In Mr. Thomas Hodgkin's (K. C.) Historical and Legal Review, on the Alaska-Canada boundary dispute, 1903, in addition to the above, it is stated:

"And Senator Sumner, in his speech on the motive of the United States for the acquisition of Alaska might be found in a desire to anticipate the imagined schemes or necessities of Great Britain, as it had been sometimes said that Great Britain desired to buy, if Russia would sell."

Under the award of demarcation committee at Cap. Moresby, which, I think, is about 54 deg. 45 min., and therefore the United States has failed in its contention that the boundary line was 54 deg. 30 min. north latitude.

S. PERRY MILLIS.

MARINE HOSPITAL.

To the Editor.—In your yesterday's issue notice you give the public a full account of the report of the committee appointed by the Victoria Board of Trade for the investigation of affairs at the Marine hospital. In my opinion nothing could be more thorough or complete than the names and improvements suggested, which, when made, will transform that institution and make it what it should have been years ago, a real benefit to our sailors.

Reforms, it seems to me, move very slowly in this city. Three years ago, if I am rightly informed, the grand jury censured the reformatory management in almost the same way they denounced it quite recently, and yet what has been done to carry out their advice? If the same length of time must elapse before this is done, then the names and improvements suggested, which, when made, will transform that institution and make it what it should have been years ago, a real benefit to our sailors.

Evidently sufficient money has been collected already to defray all the costs of the proposed improvements, and it is now up to the Dominion government to see that they are at once proceeded with.

VICTORIAN.
Victoria, B. C., 29th October, 1903.

SOMETHING FOR THE BOARD OF TRADE.

To the Editor.—I understand that the Vancouver Board of Trade has gone into the matter of the two ferry boats running to Seattle from Vancouver spending all their money for supplies and repairs in Seattle instead of in Vancouver as formerly. Now, the Board of Trade has taken up a number of questions that has resulted in much benefit to this port. Would it not be a good idea if they take up this matter too, as we in this port do not receive much benefit for the amount of trade done between Seattle and Victoria?

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The programme at the Orpheum continues to attract large audiences. The Tuxedo trio will appear next week.

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The sergeants' mess, Fifth Regiment, will be thrown open to-morrow (Saturday) evening during the band concert and the sergeants will be pleased to welcome any of their friends who care to stop in.

To-morrow night, commencing at 8 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, a meeting will be held for the purpose of organizing a debating society in connection with that association. An invitation is extended to all interested.

To-morrow afternoon the matinee voting contest for the prettiest and most popular baby, under four years of age, contestants at the Edison theatre. All will see the beautified prize doll now on exhibition at the Beaufort's Arcade. It is well worth competing for.

John H. Richardson, who has occupied the position of caretaker of the isolation hospital for some years, has severed his connection with that institution. He has received a testimonial in the form of a silver match box from the nurses of the hospital. Mr. Richardson has accepted a position elsewhere.

The strawberry season is not yet over judging by the success one resident has achieved. Grown in the open without any protection whatever, ripe strawberries were picked this morning and can now be seen at the residence of Jeffrey Lawrence, 160 Chatham street. Comment on Victoria's climate in this connection is unnecessary.

The Metropolitan school orchestra, which has been in existence for a number of years under the leadership of A. Parfitt, will give their annual concert next Tuesday evening in the school room of the Metropolitan church. The orchestra has arranged a good programme, and with the assistance of Mrs. W. E. Stianland, Miss Underhill, J. G. Brown, and Rev. C. F. Connor, a splendid treat is in store for those who attend.

Nelson Ogden, the young man injured a few days ago in the warehouse of Simon Lester through a pile of flour striking him and knocking him over the edge of a barrel, and who was taken to St. Joseph's hospital for treatment, reported this morning to be very much improved. The young man Frank, another inmate of the institution, who was badly injured in the Lake district from the discharge of a gun, is also making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

COUNTRY'S CONNING TOWER.
Times Correspondent at Ottawa is the Doyen of the Press Gallery.

An interesting article entitled "The Men in the Country's Conning Tower," which appeared in a recent issue of the Montreal Star, in the following reference is made to Wm. Mackenzie, the Times correspondent at the Federal Capital:

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Convictions and Death Penalty—Young Woman Arrested in Seattle on Instruction From Victoria

There is no doubt that if countries where lawlessness abounds would take to the book the record of the British Columbia provincial police their criminal record would be considerably lighter than it is now. Within a very short time they have had charge of a number of serious cases, and in each of these the evidence they presented to the court secured a conviction. Reference has already been made to the trial of the Chinamen charged with the murder of one of their countrymen at Crow's Bar on the Fraser. Supt. Hussey had this in hand, and the evidence adduced resulted in the sentence of the guilty Asiatics to the gallows.

The same department, under the supervision of Sergeant Murray, worked up the evidence in the case of Maids, the Japanese, charged with the murder of two of his compatriots, with the result that the Deputy Attorney-General marshalled an array of evidence which has placed the rash Japanese in the noose. The Friti case, on which the local headquarters staff were also engaged, is fresh in the memory of all. The prompt capture and conviction of the perpetrators shows that the provincial police department is very much awake, and that although limited in numbers, they are able to make the most remote and unprotected districts of this province an object lesson for the edification of other countries.

According to a copy of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer which arrived yesterday afternoon, a young woman named Mamie Thorpe, the daughter of respectable parents at Georgetown, was arrested by Detectives Byrne and Adams at the Theatre Comique, where she was working as a boy roustier, on a letter received from Chief Langley, of this city. She was charged with stealing a lady's watch and two rings from Mrs. Abel. The letter stated that if the girl would surrender the property she would not be prosecuted. She turned a ring and the watch over to the officers and said it was all she had.

Mamie, several months ago, was arrested by Detective Adams in Seattle for stealing \$55, a diamond and another ring, from a Mrs. Faulk, on Twenty-fourth avenue, who was a friend of her family. After the arrest it developed that her parents thought she was working in the telephone office, but instead she was spending her time in a Pike street saloon with a man by the name of Kemp. A part of the money and the diamond ring were recovered, and Kemp was arrested and charged with an assault on the girl, who was under age.

After getting out of that scrape, came to Victoria with a prize fighter, and by him was introduced to Mrs. Abel. According to the story told to the police by the girl, she represented to Mrs. Abel that she was the wife of the prize fighter and had two children. She says the woman gave her the jewellery for her babies, and then she left Victoria. Mrs. Abel, finding she had no children, sought to recover the property in the way she did.

After coming back to Seattle the girl secured employment at the Comique, and has been there ever since. She says she has paid her brother \$10 every week to keep him from telling her parents where she is.

As the Victoria authorities did not want to prosecute after recovering the articles, the girl was allowed to go.

Somebody has a guitar which does not belong to him. It was pawned at a Johnson street second-hand store on Monday last. It was there until Tuesday night, when an ingenious individual entered by making a hole in the panel of the door and appropriated the instrument. The police were notified, and, to quote one of them, "are working on the case." It is preliminary to the announcement which in days of yore was quite customary, "the police have a clue and are on the track." This, however, is not an idle announcement in Victoria, for when the local sleuths once strike a trail they generally run their quarry down.

The seven boys whose mischievous pranks resulted in injury to a lady who was holding Dr. Frank Hall's horse on Simcoe street several days ago were liberated on suspended sentence. The magistrate gave them a lecture which was probably as stiff as the board that has likely been applied in the several homes.

A drunk was disposed of in the police court this morning. Two Chinese peddlers, were prosecuted by Collector Whinney for not paying their license. They were ordered to pay, with \$2 costs each. An Indian was fined \$25, and \$1 costs for being in possession of intoxicants.

On Thursday evening next Victoria Lodge, No. 1, and Columbia Lodge, No. 2, will pay a fraternal visit to Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I.O.O.F. Routine business will be disposed of quickly, and then a general talk under the head of "Good of the Order," will follow. One of the subjects likely to come up will be the amalgamation of No. 4 with one of the other two lodges. Refreshments will be served and a very pleasant social time is expected. Every Odd Fellow in the city should make it his business to be there.

10 dozen of the New Style Chevrolet Tweed Motor Caps with peaks to match Saturday's price 50 cents at the Army & Navy Clothing Store, 117 Government street.

Lord Strathcona, Canadian commissioner, has accepted the nomination to the chancellorship of Aberdeen University. Andrew Carnegie dictated it in favor of Lord Strathcona.

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Rev. Mr. Black's address was instructive and interesting. In a speech lasting over an hour he gave a brief history of Ireland, of the Orange Society, and gave an idea of the present social condition of the Irish people.

Referring to his trip through the Dominion of Canada, the speaker said that he had been astonished with the remarkable resources of the country. It was a land of milk and honey.

What had impressed him most was the great agricultural country of Manitoba. Canadians were a privileged people and should appreciate it.

He spoke of Victoria in very complimentary terms. Here he had received a hearty welcome, one which he would always remember. His visit to the capital of British Columbia had been both pleasant and instructive.

As stated, Rev. Mr. Black dealt exhaustively with conditions in Ireland. The people there had to a great extent been kept in ignorance. This he attributed to the Roman Catholic religion. In order to enlighten the minds of the Irish people the Orange Society had been organized. The society had prospered greatly, and much had been done in assisting the people. With the passing of years the movement had become more popular, and the work was now being pushed with greater zeal than ever before.

Besides Rev. Mr. Black, speeches were delivered by J. L. Beckwith and J. L. Croft.

Rev. Mr. Black left on his return to the Old Country last night. Upon his arrival in Ireland he will deliver a series of illustrated lectures on Canada. For this purpose he obtained while here some lantern slides of local scenes from the Victoria Tourist Association.

TO-MORROW—THE TOURIST EXCURSION.

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TO-MORROW'S ATTRACTIONS.

Association Football—Y. M. C. A. vs. H. M. S. Shearwater, at 3 o'clock, at Beacon Hill; Victoria vs. H. M. S. Grafton, at 3 o'clock, at Canteen grounds; Victoria West vs. H. M. S. Grafton (second eleven), at 3 o'clock, at Macaulay Point; North Ward vs. Central school junior, at 2 o'clock, at Beacon Hill.

Rugby Football—United Service vs. Victoria, at 3 o'clock, at Caledonia grounds; Victoria intermediates vs. United juniors, at 2:30 o'clock, at Caledonia grounds.

Hockey—Victoria vs. Victoria intermediates, at 3 o'clock, at Oak Bay; ladies practice, at 1:30, at Oak Bay.

FENCING.

ROOMS SECURED.

Rooms have been secured by the Victoria Fencing Club in the Five Sisters' building and it is expected that the winter's practice will commence next week. The work of fitting up the club's headquarters with all necessary paraphernalia will commence immediately. The honorary presidency of the club has been accepted by Rear Admiral Blodford. Other honorary members are: Lieut.-Col. Holmes, Lieut.-Col. Hall and H. D. Helmenck, K. C. King, H. Mortimer-Lamb and S. MacLure. As it is the intention to limit the membership, those who wish to join should make application as soon as possible.

HOCKEY.

MATCH POSTPONED. The match scheduled to be played yesterday between the Navy and Garrison teams has been postponed until next week. This was done in order to give the former eleven time to prepare.

AT OAK BAY.

A practice match will be played at Oak Bay to-morrow afternoon between the Victoria senior team and an intermediate eleven. The game is expected to be interesting, as the latter team is composed of a number of fast players. Play will commence at 3 o'clock. Before this game there will be the usual weekly practice of the Victoria ladies' team.

THE RING.

ATTELL v. KRANT. Caesar Attell and Kid Kraut will meet this evening in a twenty-round contest for a decision at the Savoy theatre. The men will step into the ring about 10 o'clock.

For the past fortnight Attell has been working hard and has endeavored to put himself into the right condition. He will fight at about 130 pounds, a little more than is usual with him. Kraut is expected to be about 135 pounds and perhaps a little over. Attell is also laboring under another disadvantage. His opponent is said to have an exceptionally long reach. Attell, however, is as usual confident of the result. "I think I can hear him," he remarked the other day, and there are a great many who are of the same opinion.

Kid Kraut is not known in Victoria. From all accounts he is a young fighter and has not as yet engaged in many battles. Nine of these he has taken part in, have resulted in knock-outs in his favor. Kraut is tall, with a long reach and a terrific right swing. Kraut's record follows:

Knock-Outs: Red Moore, of Chicago, 4 rounds; Kid Starr, of Nome, 3 rounds; Tommy Baglin, of Seattle, 7 rounds; Young Jewell, of Nome, 4 rounds; Young Merrill, of Tacoma, 4 rounds; Young Attell, 6 rounds; Don Sullivan, of San Francisco, 2 rounds; Kid Christy, of Sacramento, 3 rounds; Kid Wilson, of San Francisco, 3 rounds; Kid Christy, of Sacramento, 3 rounds.

Kid Kraut arrived this morning from the Sound in the best of condition. He is confident of winning the fight. His father, Wm. Kraut, came over with him.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

TO-MORROW'S GAME. The first senior match of the season will be played to-morrow, commencing at 3 o'clock at the Caledonia grounds, when the Victoria fifteen will meet a United Service team. Since the introduction of football the local players and the footballers from the Garrison and Navy have been great rivals on the field. To-morrow will be the

INTERMEDIATES v. SAILORS. At Macaulay Point tomorrow the Victoria West intermediate eleven will play H. M. S. Grafton second eleven. The game will start at 3 o'clock, and all players are requested to be on the field in time to line up promptly. The Victoria West team will be as follows: Messrs. O'Neill (two), Stephens (two), McArthur, W. Fairall, C. Fairall, Crocker, Williscroft, Stewart and Baker.

PRACTICE TO-MORROW.

A junior match will be played between the North Ward and Central school teams at Beacon Hill, commencing at 2 o'clock to-morrow. The North Ward team follows: Goal, Southcott; full backs, Hart and Anti; half backs, Cox, Tait and Coughlan; forwards, O'Neill, Dakers, Jenkins, Young and Campbell.

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The Capital City intermediate and juniors will hold a practice to-morrow at Beacon Hill. A large turn out is looked for, as it is important every opportunity to train should be taken advantage of, as the league games commence next month. Play will be on the lower grounds.

YACHTING.

FOR OCEAN RACES. London, Oct. 29. Sir Thomas Lipton's withdrawal of his offer to present a cup

for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904, making way for Emperor William, who will present a cup through the New York Yacht Club, was attained by an interchange of telegrams, one from Sir Thomas Lipton to Emperor William on October 27th, saying that the former had learned that the German Emperor desired to offer a cup, but that question had arisen because Sir Thomas had made a similar offer.

Sir Thomas continues: "In the big interests of the sport of which Your Majesty has always been an enthusiastic exponent, I am only too willing to ask the consent of the Atlantic Yacht Club to withdraw my offer for 1904, and most respectfully and heartily tender Your Majesty such support as lies within my power to make a trans-Atlantic race for your cup in 1904 a thoroughly representative international event, which, under your Imperial auspices, it could scarcely fail to be." Sir Thomas closes by expressing the opinion that the Atlantic and New York Yacht Clubs would gladly carry out the arrangements for the race, and that with the Emperor's approval Sir Thomas will cable his withdrawal.

Commodore Tod, of the Atlantic Yacht Club, said to-day: "The Emperor of Germany has, through Lord Lansdowne, intimated to Sir Thomas and the yacht clubs his desire to present the cup for next year's ocean race, and Sir Thomas has, at His Majesty's request, arranged with the Atlantic Yacht Club to withdraw his splendid offer of a permanent trophy. The way is now clear for His Majesty's offer and as soon as his ambassador has arranged matters with the Atlantic Yacht Club and the New York Yacht Club for their joint acceptance of His Majesty's cup and joint management of the race the details will be announced. The essential fact is that there will be an ocean race next year."

Watson Declines.

London, Oct. 29.—Geo. Watson has declined the offer of a committee of prominent Clyde yachtsmen to design a cup challenger, on the ground that it is hopeless for British or other over-sea challengers to continue to contest for the trophy under the measurement rule by which challengers have been rated.

Emperor William replied on October 28th to Sir Thomas, saying: "Your resolve to withdraw your offer for my sake has deeply touched me, and I hasten to thank you for your generous intention and accept your proposal. I was prompted to offer a cup in the hopes of encouraging ocean racing, with the view to stimulate designers and builders into producing a class capable of keeping the open sea easily, and combining seaworthiness with safety and comfort without sacrificing everything to speed, i.e., to develop a sound type of cruiser."

Sir Thomas in an interview to-day said: "The reason that I telegraphed to Emperor William was that on my arrival at Queenstown I received a message from the commodore of the Atlantic Yacht Club stating that Emperor William had made an offer. Knowing the Emperor took such a great

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